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PERILS OF STAGE CHILDREN.

NEED FOR CHAPERONS.

"No girl or boy between the age of 14 and 18 should be sent on tour unchaperoned," said Miss Italis Conti to a *Daily Chronicle* representative. Miss Conti supplies large numbers of children for theatrical productions, and she is now making a special effort to persuade managers to provide chaperons for the younger members of their companies.

"Under the age of 14 the child is protected by law, but there is no protection for children above that age," Miss Conti pointed out, "and yet the later 'teens are the most impressionable years. I have heard of cases of girls and boys on tour who travel about quite alone, find their lodgings, and so on. Sometimes a joint menage is set up by boys and girls of 15 or 16."

"Some companies are conducted so well that children are as safe on tour as they would be with their parents, but this is not the rule. However, I am glad to say that managers are welcoming the idea of a chaperon. For instance, the children in a Daly's company which is about to tour the provinces are to have their chaperon, and I hope other managements will follow the example."

"It is a little difficult to find the right type of woman as chaperon. She must understand young people, but she must also understand stage conditions. If the right kind of woman turned up I should probably be able to find them employment for the greater part of the year."

Mr. Lugg, secretary of the Actors' Association, is personally opposed to the employment of children on the stage.

"In London theatres children are pretty safe," he said to the *Daily Chronicle* representative, "but conditions in the provinces are often scandalous. Most of the 'No. 2' theatres are utterly unfit for children. In many cases there is no heating behind the footlights, and I have heard of cases where there are open drains in the dressing-rooms. The Ministry of Health should make special laws to have all theatres brought under the Factory Act so that their sanitary arrangements could be inspected. This would afford a little protection to the health of the children."

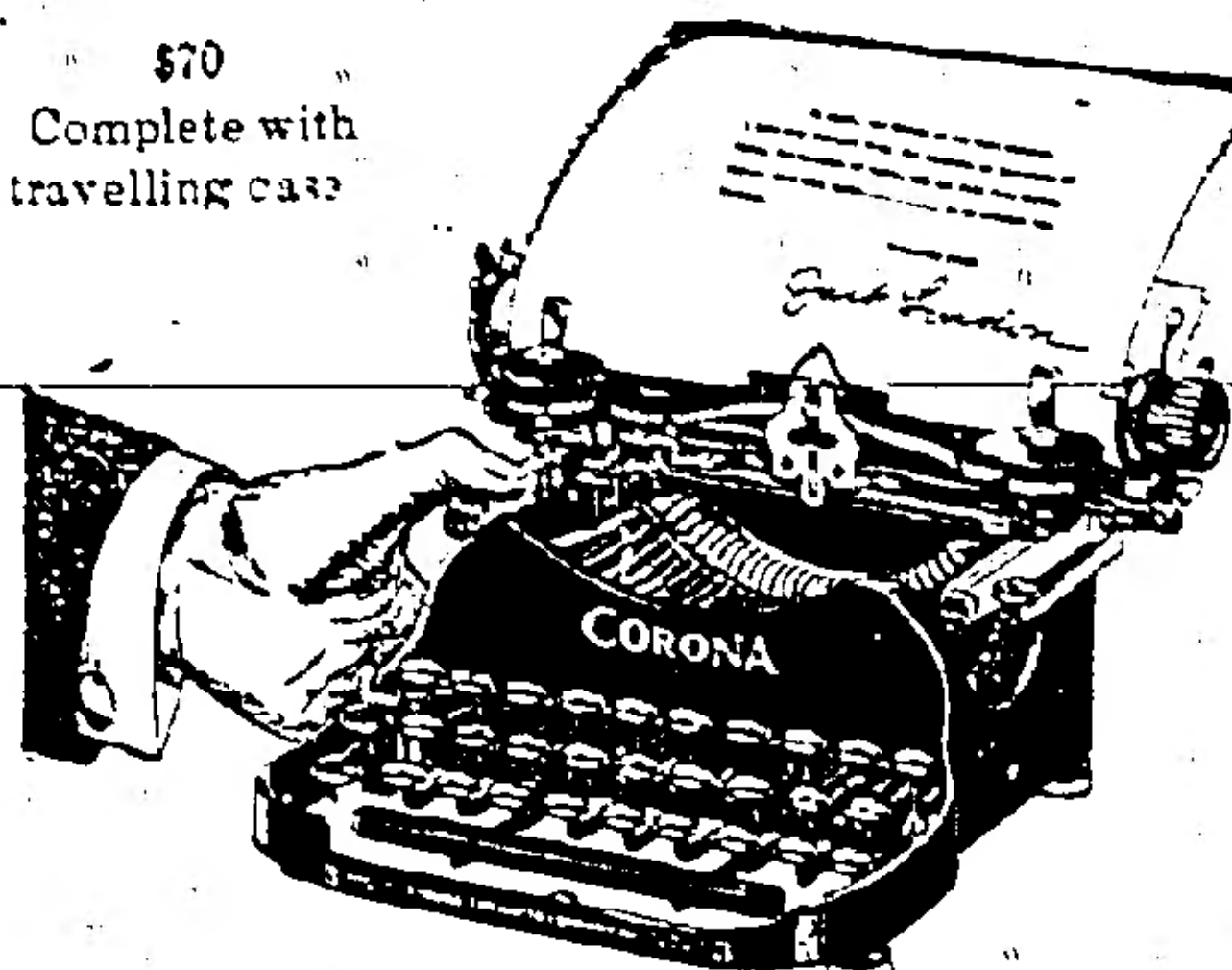
"But personally I am dead against the employment of children on the stage. They are often given over to the care of some member of the company, who perhaps gets an extra 5s. a week for looking after them, and this is all the attention the poor little creatures get. Invariably they are on the stage because someone is exploiting them, and it is my own opinion that the only people who would suffer if they were removed from the stage are those who are making profit out of them."

Mr. Lugg does not think the presence of children in any play is an artistic necessity.

"Take 'Peter Pan,' he said. "In all productions of it which I have seen the children's parts have been taken by young women. It is rarely that you find a child actress whom it is a pleasure to watch; children on the stage are almost always self-conscious and unnatural. But these are merely my views; so long as children are on the stage my association will do all in its power to protect their interests."

SHORTAGE OF FISH.

Honolulu.—A falling off in the catch of mullet, the chief food fish of the islands, has caused the territorial fish and game commission to undertake a campaign to restore this fish. An expert will be employed to discover, if possible, what has caused the depletion of the mullet schools.

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EARLIER TELEGRAMS.

HOLLAND REFUSES TO EXTRADITE EX-KAISER.

London, Jan. 22.
The "Evening Standard" states that Holland has despatched a note declining to extradite the ex-Kaiser without Germany likewise demanding it. This report is not confirmed.

The Hague, Jan. 23.
The Dutch Government refused extradition of the ex-Kaiser.

FRANCE'S POLICY.

Paris, Jan. 22.
M. Millerand and his Ministerial statement were greeted yesterday with applause. The statement contains firm promises for carrying out the Peace Treaty and a strong programme of reconstruction and social reform. Germany, M. Millerand said, had devastated ten of our most prosperous departments. To repulse aggression and to win victory France had been obliged to exert her energies. "The valor of our soldiers saved the country. It is not enough to recognise it by words. In order that victory should give us its full benefit it will be necessary to make many efforts and show as much abnegation as during the war. The days of sacrifices are far from being over. The country is as ready to see them imposed as it was during the war." To avoid renewal of the war M. Millerand said they must have faith in the League of Nations. The French Government, he said, will not neglect anything depending upon it in order to help and fortify its organization. The new Cabinet obtained confidence by 272 votes against 23. 300 deputies attended to vote.—Havas.

BRITAIN AND RUSSIA.


London, Jan. 22.
The Russian situation has developed a fresh surprise. The French press yesterday expressed concern at the statement that Britain was unable to provide her quota of troops for the plebiscite areas in view of commitments elsewhere. It was officially announced in London last night that it has been found necessary to modify the arrangements to send eleven British battalions to East Prussia, Silesia and other plebiscite areas. It is now decided to send three battalions. One departs for Flensburg to-day and two others subsequently go to Danzig and Allenstein respectively. A section of the press interprets the announcement as indicating the resumption of a policy of military adventure which was thought to be abandoned last week when it was decided partially to raise the Russian blockade.

MR. ASQUITH TO STAND FOR PAISLEY.

London, Jan. 22.
Mr. Asquith has decided to stand for Paisley.

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EARLIER TELEGRAMS.

THE STRANDED POWHATTAN.

Halifax, Jan. 22.
The s.s. Lady Laurier has reached the stranded Powhattan and is trying to connect by tow line.

Halifax, Jan. 23.
All the Powhattan's passengers have been transferred without accident. They are, however, suffering from severe cold and rough seas, and are proceeding to New York.

FRENCH CONFERENCE DELEGATES APPOINTED.

Paris, Jan. 22.
The five French Conference delegates, M. Millerand, M. Marshal, M. Isaac, M. Paleologue, and M. Cambon have been appointed.

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EARLIER TELEGRAMS.

AMERICAN FINANCE.

Washington, Jan. 22. Mr. Hawes, President of the American Bankers Association, addressing a Pan American Financial Conference declared that American bankers aimed at establishing closer and more productive relations between Americans and assisting Europe with properly secured credits. Group Committees agreed to ask the following loans here, subject to the approval of the Conference:—
Ecuador, \$50,000,000, for refunding and transportation.
Nicaragua, \$5,000,000 for transportation.
Bolivia, unnamed amount, for sanitation, and \$5,000,000 for transportation.
Paraguay, which applied for loans for an unnamed amount, has adopted plans to colonize 2,000 Belgian families.

AMERICA'S ARMY.

New York, Jan. 22. Addressing a Military Committee of the Senate, Mr. Baker, Secretary for War, endorsed the Committee's Bill for the re-organization of the Army as a most statesmanlike measure. The Bill provides compulsory military training and the formation of a large army composed of a Citizens Reserve, the regular army consisting of 250,000 men and the National Guard.

U.S.A. AND THE TREATY.

Washington, Jan. 22. It is most authoritatively stated that a further conference of leaders of the Senate yesterday resulted in material progress towards a compromise on the Peace Treaty. It is now regarded as possible to harmonize the differences on Article 10 and the question of voting power on the League of Nations. The members of the conference are sure the Senate will accept any compromise reached by the conference.

SPREAD OF THE FLU.

New York, Jan. 23. It is estimated that there are a thousand new influenza cases reported in New York and over two thousand in Chicago. The mortality rate is reduced.

MARSHAL FOCH'S VISIT TO WARSAW.

Paris, Jan. 22. The report that Marshal Foch is going to Warsaw is officially denied.

IRONMOULDERS BALLOT.

London, Jan. 22. The Ironmoulders ballot resulted in 17,667 votes in favour of resumption of work and 11,263 against.

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GENERAL NEWS.

JEZREEL'S TOWER NOT WANTED.
The famous Jezreel Tower on the top of Chatham Hill, Kent, has been offered to Gillingham Corporation for conversion into flats, but the offer has been declined on the ground of expense. The Tower was erected half a century ago, but the last occupants were ejected a few years ago for non-payment of rent.

BLAZING BEDDING AS S.O.S.
During a southerly gale in the Channel recently the London large Caprice stranded on the Brake Sands off Deal. The crew brought their bedding on deck, soaked it in paraffin, and hoisting it to the mast with wire halyards, set it alight as a distress signal. Deal boatmen went out in a lugger, and, after standing by all night, assisted the crew of the barge to bring their craft into Ramsgate Harbour.

TSAR'S MURDERER EXECUTED.
Copenhagen.—According to a Kevno telegram to "Politiken," the official Bolshevik organ "Pravda" asserts that Jachontoff, the member of the Ekaterinburg Soviet who ordered the execution of the Tsar's family when the Czechoslovaks were approaching the town, has been condemned to death by a revolutionary tribunal in Perm and executed. His four accomplices were acquitted because they were only acting under his orders.—Reuter.

KAISER'S PALACE AS MUSEUM.
Berlin.—The Prussian Government has definitely decided not to convert the ex-Kaiser's palace in Berlin into flats, but on the ground that it is an almost unrivalled specimen of German architecture, will use it as a museum. In view of the great housing difficulty, some extreme Socialists urged that working-class families should be found accommodation in the palace, but the idea was never really popular. At present an army of charwomen are busy cleaning the palace windows and scrubbing the floors.

VICAR GIVES IN.
Northampton.—The dispute between the Rev. C. F. Upsdell, Vicar of Moulton, which began nearly two months ago, when Mr. Upsdell declined to allow the village social club to continue to hold Saturday evening dances in the Church Room, because he considered them antagonistic to his spiritual work, has been settled. Mr. Upsdell has withdrawn his objection, and the dances will be resumed. Efforts are to be made to induce the choir boys, who have abstained from duty for two months, to resume immediately.

CENOTAPH A PUBLIC DANGER.
The removal of the Cenotaph from its present site to the centre of Parliament-square is proposed by the House of Commons Committee which is considering the London traffic problem. Mr. Kennedy Jones, chairman of the Committee, speaking at a dinner of the Middlesex County Automobile Club, said they had to consider the question of the traffic in Whitehall and arising out of the consideration of the danger to public safety and the serious risk to life and limb occasioned by the present position of the Cenotaph, they had unanimously recommended (and the recommendation had the support of the police) that it should be transferred. On the occasion of the Armistice anniversary it required 300 foot police and 25 mounted men to ensure the safety of the public.

THE NUT-BROWN NECTAR.
The Food Controller, Mr. George Roberts, M.P., made a bright little speech on beer at the opening at Richmond of a "Reformed Public House" at the Popular Cafe. Though he was a temperance reformer he recognised, he said, that the great mass of the people desired to have a "glass of sunshine" now and then. He appreciated that life was made sweeter and brighter by a moderate use of what he believed the Creator had ordained for them all—"the nut-brown nectar." Or it might be a glass of sparkling wine. Many who had served in the war had returned to this country wanting to see the old stand-up bar abolished, and to have places where they might take their wives and families—licensed houses that were respectable, comfortable, and had an atmosphere of welcome and hospitality. We should have to confront the question of drink in the near future, and he believed the nation would decide that every man should have liberty to think and act as he pleased so long as he did not prejudice the lives of his fellow men, or impair the reputation of his country.

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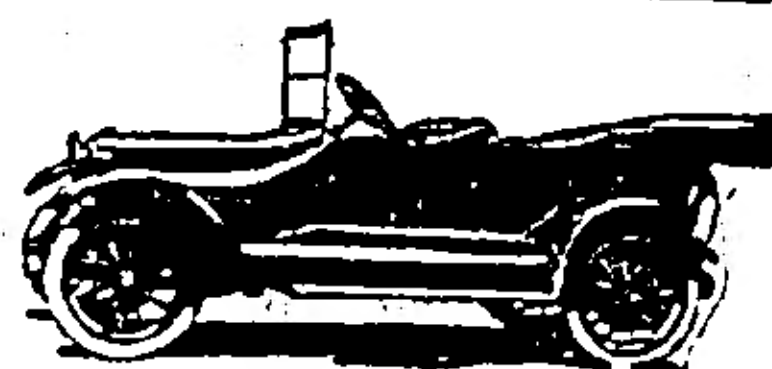
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The Hongkong Telegraph

HONGKONG, WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 28, 1920.

SOME VALUABLE AVIATION LESSONS.

Hongkong is displaying quite a big interest in aviation these days. At one time it seemed as though our Port was going to be left very seriously behind in the development of travel and carriage by air, but with the visit of the Aerial Derby Commission and the activities that are taking place at Macao, together with other items of news that have lately been made public in connection with aerial travel, it would appear that we are at least going "to be in the swim." It is just as well, in view of the possible development here, to look at what has been done by British enterprise and organisation in other places and one might well turn to the London to Paris air express and find a lot to encourage. During the war, a flight from London to Paris was just "a day off" for a British aviator accustomed to more perilous work above the enemy's lines. Nevertheless, as a peacetime pursuit, a flight between the two capitals possesses a certain element of danger which can only be reduced by careful preparation and organisation. This is true in some degree of flying generally, but between London and Paris the air route is known to experienced flying men as one of the most difficult stretches in the world. Yet, in spite of this, for several months on end, flights between London and Paris and London and Brussels have been maintained daily by the British Airco, Handley-Page and Aerial Transport Companies.

The experience gained on these pioneer civilian services between capitals has led to the inauguration of the first international aerial mail by which letters and packets are now carried between London and Paris. The time thus saved is invaluable to commercial men. It is possible to write a letter in London in the morning, get it over to Paris by air-post where it is immediately delivered, and receive a reply in London by the evening. This is the net result of a brilliant piece of organisation which is now rapidly being perfected. This organisation is particularly interesting because it provides the pattern for the worldwide aerial organisation of the near future. Its main objects are to ensure safety and adherence of the services to the scheduled times, by overcoming any variations in climatic conditions that may be encountered, particularly on the route between London and Paris. Landing grounds, route directions, pilotage marks and beacons, cypher codes and wireless communication are the elementary corollaries of an organised air service, and these have of course been set up between London and Paris. But science is being applied in the use of directional wireless and wireless telephony in a manner which must inevitably revolutionise flying. Machines on the mail service are now being equipped with an improved wireless telephone apparatus which enables the pilot to ask ground stations or other aeroplanes about weather conditions in any particular direction or to obtain any other information he requires. The machines are also to carry a light telescopic mast which can be set up with the wireless telephone aerial on top of it in the event of a compulsory descent. This will enable communication to be established with the nearest aerodrome from which help can be obtained together with another machine to carry on the mails. It is in overcoming adverse natural conditions that directional wireless, which is also being fitted to these mail-carrying aeroplanes, is of such great utility.

Britain led the way during the war in the application of science to aviation and she is now doing much to make air transit safe and reliable. Those responsible for the London-Paris mail service are confident that in the next few months it will prove to be less subject to climatic interruptions than even the Cross-Channel steamboat services. We out here are hoping one day to see the establishment of air services between most of the Eastern ports, and the great experience that has been gained during the working of the London-Paris service, and other pioneer services will prove to be of great value if properly applied. The Far East cannot hope to do much to assist the technical development of aviation, but it can apply the world's knowledge to its own needs.

NOTES & COMMENTS.

BISHOP LANDER.

The public in general will have read with surprise equalling its regret that Dr. Lander contemplates in the near future resigning from the Bishopric of Victoria (Hongkong). Not that he has not been here for what we might term a Bishop's allotted span, but the secret was very well kept. Dr. Lander has been Bishop here since 1907, having succeeded the late Bishop Hoare, who lost his life in the disastrous typhoon of 1908. He came to this Colony from Liverpool, where he was Vicar of St. Cyprian Church and Hon. Canon of the Cathedral. During his thirteen years in the Colony, he has been prominently identified with social and religious movements amongst both the European and Chinese communities, and he has worked with particular zeal for the furtherance of Christianity amongst the Chinese. The Diocesan work has very largely increased during Dr. Lander's time, and from the religious point of view it can be said that the influence of the Church has been very materially advanced throughout the Diocese. During the war the Bishop's task has been a heavy one, but he has never been ready to give of his best in thought and energy. His stay in Hongkong has left the mark of time on him, and he has well earned a change of locality and climate. There is much to be said for the Bishop's argument that a man can remain too long in one place, though we know we are expressing popular opinion when we say that Hongkong will say good-bye to him with genuine regret when the time for his departure does come.

MACAO'S WAY.

Macao is apparently harbouring at the moment quite a number of unwelcome visitors in the personages of a big gang of bandits and outlaws who have drifted into the Portuguese settlement in the hope of doing a little looting. We are informed that these men make it their business to circulate alarmist rumours in the hope of provoking a conflict, so that they may take advantage of the confusion to indulge in their favourite pastime of robbery. But we are glad to learn that the Portuguese authorities are alive to the danger and are taking very sensible measures in clearing these ruffians out. The Police are empowered to visit the lodging houses and to pick out those men who are armed and any others who have neither luggage nor friends, such individuals being promptly cleared out of the town. Already, we hear about a hundred have been got rid of in this way. Is there is tip for Hongkong here? If all Chinese in boarding houses in this Colony possessing arms, or not possessing luggage or friends, were deported, there would be far less crime in Hongkong. We wonder whether the idea is practicable? If Macao can do it, surely Hongkong can. Perhaps the C.S.P. would think the suggestion over.

THE DAVIS CUP.

The expected has happened in Britain being unsuccessful in challenging Australia for possession of the Davis Lawn Tennis Cup. The British team was not the strongest possible combination that could be put up, but the fact that the trip had to be made to the Antipodes was a factor against that. It would appear that Kingscott alone of the British players was able to face the superior Australian men, his three-set win over Anderson being most gratifying. Yet he went down to Patterson by the same margin. Patterson is evidently stronger than ever. He is a fine exponent of the game, clever both as a singles and a doubles player. Anderson, who is a youthful player of the same stamp, was obviously the weak man of the Australian team. He did manage to defeat Lowe, but only after a terrific tussle, the match going the full five sets and the scores in games reading 33 to 30. However, there is no doubt about the all-round superiority of the Australian team. Playing at Home, they take a lot of beating. Though Britain has failed in the challenge round, we can congratulate the Australians on their retention of the coveted trophy. Our hopes are postponed for another year at least.

JAPANESE WOMEN AND DRESS.

A section of Japanese women, led by an intrepid Y.W.C.A. secretary, is said to be in revolt against the "tyranny" of a fashion in dress centuries old. The introduction of a simplified American style of dress is contemplated.

DAY BY DAY.

SHARE WITH OTHERS. THRIFT WITHOUT BENEVOLENCE IS A DOUBTFUL BLESSING.

The Canton Municipality is planning to construct three modern sanitary markets in the city.

H. E. the Governor is to distribute the prizes at the Diocesan Boys' School on Friday, February 6th, at 5.30 p.m.

News was received in Hongkong to-day that H.M.S. Cairo has arrived at Singapore on her way to Hongkong.

Yesterday's health return shows one fatal case each of diphtheria and enteric fever, both victims being Chinese.

The annual general meeting of the Ladies' Recreation Club will be held at the City Hall, on Wednesday, February 4th, at noon.

Owing to the slight indisposition of the Puisne Judge (Mr. Justice Gompertz) there was no sitting of the Summary Court this morning.

Effective office calendars are to hand from the B.A.T. advertising "Three Castles" cigarettes and Hobacco, and from Suzuki and Co., extolling Sakura beer.

The boatmen in Sai Ho canal, Canton, have declared a strike as a protest against the action of the Municipality in deciding to partially fill and cover up the canal for the purpose of constructing a hundred-foot maloo.

Mr. W. J. Carrie, Secretary to the Economic Resources Committee, informs us that meetings of the Committee will not be open to representatives of the Press, but that reports will from time to time be communicated to them.

A campaign conducted by the Police yesterday against gamblers provided quite a large number of cases at the Police Court this morning. Evidence was given which showed that several agreeable card-parties were broken up on the sudden appearance of the Police. The thirty or more gamblers arrested by the Police were fined by the Magistrates this morning.

A further enterprising idea of the Coronet Theatre management is evidenced in the announcement that punch tickets are to be issued for twelve performances at the reduced price of \$10. A special feature of the inducement is that a punch is available for the super-production shows, for which the fee is usually \$1.50, as well as for the regular dollar performances.

His Excellency the Governor, H. E. Major General Ventris and H. E. the Commodore have kindly consented to act as patrons and to be present at the performances of Lord Dunsany's Plays "The Tents of the Arabs" and "The Gods of the Mountain," to be given by the students of the Hongkong University Union on February 13th and 14th at the Theatre Royal.

The Hongkong University Union announces that professor G. W. Ferguson, M.A., professor of Education at the University of Hongkong, will deliver a lecture on "Lord Dunsany—the Man and his Works"—at the Helena May Institute, by kind permission of the Council of the Institute on Wednesday, February 4th, at 5.30 p.m. The chair will be taken by Professor G. P. Jordan, M.B., Pro-Vice-Chancellor of the University. The lecture is open to all members of the public.

Despite the fact that the production of "Pagliacci" and "Cavalleria Rusticana" had been advertised for several days, there was no performance by the Russian Grand Opera Company last night. The reason, we understand, is that the bookings were so small that the Company would have been considerably out of pocket had the Theatre been used. All the same, it was extremely disappointing to those who had booked seats to find, on their arrival, that the Theatre was shut. The management must have been aware in the afternoon that bookings were few, and it would have saved a great deal of inconvenience and annoyance had the public been informed, either by express or the evening papers, that no performance was to be given.

VICTORIA BRITISH SCHOOL.

H. E. THE GOVERNOR PRESENTS PRIZES.

His Excellency the Governor visited the Victoria British School this morning when, on the occasion of the annual distribution of prizes, he gave away the awards to the successful pupils, and was an interested spectator of the various musical and dance items, which were contributed with much credit by the children. Before he read the annual report of the school, Mr. L. Forster, B.A., the headmaster, took occasion to thank His Excellency, on behalf of the school, for his presence there. He regretted to say that owing to the death of Mr. Nolan the programme was cut short by two items. They were an excerpt from a Shakespearean work, the principal parts of which were prepared by Marie and Nicholas Nolan, and a dance performed by the former pupil.

H. E. ON LEAVING SCHOOL TOO EARLY.

Following the distribution of prizes, His Excellency said that the report which had been read by Mr. Forster gave a very satisfactory account of the work in the school during the last year, and he was sure the Headmaster and his staff might be warmly congratulated on their record. The report raised several questions of interest which should receive full consideration. There was one point of extreme importance he would like to emphasise. He did not as a rule raise serious matters at prize distributions, but he felt justified in making an exception to this rule, and to discuss the question of keeping children at school as long as possible. It was a great difficulty that children could not be kept continually at one school. The school in such cases must necessarily suffer to some extent and especially the children also. It was most important, as Mr. Forster had said, that children here should not be removed earlier than was necessary. In England there were reasons in many cases why children in the past had been unable to remain in school until the proper age. This was fully recognised by the present Minister of Education as one of the main causes which acted as a handicap to efficient education, and the efforts of the Education Board had been exerted towards raising the age when children could leave school and make children stay at school as long as possible. It was natural, of course, for parents to desire to get their children started in life as soon as possible, but any lad who went into business might perhaps do better if he had stayed longer by three or four years than the boy who did not stay so long. If he had to leave early, he might find it necessary to attend continuation classes. In support of his statements, His Excellency referred to the growing favour amongst business men in England to admit University graduates to the higher posts in their concerns. The same principle, His Excellency continued, applied here. He earnestly trusted that parents here would see that their children remained in school to complete their education. They would find that it paid in money and in other ways too. It was only the exceptional man who could educate himself. Foundation was the main thing, and a foundation in life could be obtained in school by staying there as long as possible. Concluding, His Excellency said that he must apologise for talking of this matter in such a serious strain, but it was a matter of great importance.

Those present at the function included the Governor's Aide-de-Camp, Captain McGrath, Mr. E. Ralphs (Inspector of Schools), Hon. Mr. W. Chatham, besides a number of parents and other visitors.

HEADMASTER'S REPORT.

The Headmaster's report was as follows:—The school was opened 192 times in the course of the year. The average enrolment was 49, the maximum being 58 in January and the minimum 42 in June. The average attendance for the year was 44.5 (48 in 1918). Owing to the cessation of hostilities and parents being able to take home leave there was a big exodus in the Spring of the year. In December last there were 22 scholars who had been in attendance less than 1 year and only 1 who had been in attendance more than 5 years. These fluctuations, though inevitable, are a serious handicap on the effective working of the school. They produce that

feeling of temporariness, which tends to destroy the sustained effort and interest in work, which are necessary for good education.

The Staff.—The Staff at the beginning of the year consisted of Miss Cooper, B.A., Mr. G. H. Forster, B.A., and Mrs. Sorby, Certificated Mistress. Miss Cooper went on vacation leave on April 12th, and Mrs. Floyd succeeded to her place. Miss E. Woolley was appointed Pupil Teacher Jan. 20th and left on December 31st.

The Premises.—The lavatories have been reconstructed, and the most modern system introduced. It is now possible for the boys to have a shower bath after playing games. These improvements are in every way a great benefit and are much appreciated.

Health.—Dr. Macaulay visited the school and examined the children medically. He reported the general health good, from epidemic, and the attendance has not been much affected by illness.

Work.—In May, Mr. E. Ralphs, Inspector of English Schools, inspected the school and reported that the methods of teaching were up to date, and that reading was skilfully and very successfully taught to the infants by Mrs. Sorby. On the Midsummer Examination papers he reported as follows:—The work shows a great improvement in all classes. The weak point is handwriting which in classes 5 and 6 is very poor. With this exception the work of the school is very satisfactory.

In December 2 candidates were presented for the Senior Local examination and both passed, one with distinction in Biblical Knowledge. One candidate was presented for the Junior Local and passed. As a result of her success in this examination, Nancy McNeillie has the honour of being the first winner of the valuable scholarship recently founded as a memorial to Mr. J. R. M. Smith and open to pupils of Scottish parentage attending the Kowloon and Victoria British School. Nancy McNeillie passed in all the seven subjects she offered at the examination. More candidates should have been presented for these examinations, but some were withdrawn from school to take up appointments with local firms. It would be well if business firms would look upon the Senior Local or Matriculation Certificate as the Leaving Certificate of the school, and parents should not deprive their children of the best year of school life, when their intelligence is developing, and when they are getting over the mechanical and routine side of education, and acquiring a taste for literature, art and learning generally. In this connection it should be noted that the leaving age in England is to be raised to 15, and compulsory education is to go on till 18. The minimum age in England, where poverty can justly be pleaded for early withdrawal in many cases, should at least apply here, where parents can hardly make the same plea. Mr. Landale pointed out last year that boys who took up appointments at an early age in offices did not generally attain the higher positions. The Christmas Examinations for the rest of the school showed that general progress had been made especially by those who had had the benefit of a full year's teaching. The work in the lower school was probably better than the previous year. Under Mrs. Sorby some of the children made splendid progress. The only innovation in the curriculum this year has been the introduction of country and folk dancing together with organised games under the direction of Miss E. Macdonald. A course of cookery lessons was given by Mrs. Sorby and practical work was done by the girls with the same enthusiasm and keenness as last year. The Chinese class for the boys is under Mr. Li Hung Pin. It was inspected by Mr. Law, Inspector of Vernacular Schools, who reported that the boys were making satisfactory progress.

Sports.—The playing field continues to be a splendid asset to the school. The boys use it for football three times a week and the girls two days a week for hockey. Matches were played with Kowloon School in both these games, while in football the boys had several friendly matches with the Indian School in the first term of the year. The addition of a tennis court would complete the equipment of the school on the athletic side and would enable the upper school to have exercise all the year round, but, so far, lack of funds has proved the

LOCAL BOXING.

BELTS PRESENTED.

At a recent joint meeting of the General and Boxing Committees of the Boxing Association, Sir William Rees Davies, Chief Justice, in the chair, it was agreed to accept Championship Belts from willing donors for each of the eight British Championship Standard Weights, the conditions governing the holding, owning and forfeiting of same to be as under N.S.C. Rules, subject to any variations made by the Boxing Committee. It was further agreed that the following should be the minimum stakes per side, irrespective of any purse provided by the Association:—Heavyweight, \$25; Flyweight, \$10; Other Weights, \$15. Belts have been presented as follows:—

Lightweight.—Mr. H. J. Gedge, Official Referee.
Welterweight.—Police Reserve Mounted Patrols.
Middleweight.—Hongkong Daily Press.
The Welterweight and Middleweight Belts will be fought for on February 14th.

We regret to hear that Mr. G. N. Tinson, the Boxing Association's Honorary Secretary, has been in hospital since Saturday last, suffering from an attack of influenza.

obstacle to its realisation. Peace Day was celebrated on Oct. 15th by joining with Kowloon School in a picnic to Junk Bay. Launches were very generously put at our disposal by Messrs. Butterfield & Swire and an enjoyable day was spent in sport and games.

The Cadet Corps, to which our boys belong, is now under Lieut. A.O. Brown. In addition to the usual formal parades, there are weekly bathing parties and an annual camp at Lo Wu where a healthful holiday is spent, and much instructive work is done.

General.—The school continues to do good work. The University results help to prove this, for during the last five years of 26 candidates, presented for Matriculation, Senior Local and Junior Local 23 have passed. One of our scholars, R.C. Gegg passed direct from the school to McGill University this year where he is now an undergraduate doing excellent work, both in the Class room and on the playing field. We continue to admit British children, who have spent varying periods at non-British schools. These pupils bring with them a different atmosphere. It is impossible for young people, in whom there is a strong unconscious power of mimicry, to be in close association with those of a different race and not be influenced by them. These children are generally not so spontaneous, alert and responsive as the others. British parents therefore who deprive their offspring of the association with other British children, and put them into the environment of Asiatics do so at the risk of sacrificing those qualities which British parents generally prize. Throughout the year there has been harmonious co-operation between parents, pupils and teachers. It is due to this that the discipline of the school is so good, and the tone excellent. I wish to thank the Staff for their unflinching support in the work of the school throughout the whole year.

PRIZE LIST.

Class 1.—Robt. Duncan, Senior Local Certificate; Harry Joseph, Senior Local Certificate.
Class 2.—Nancy McNeillie, Junior Local Certificate.
Class 3.—Nicholas Nolan, Lugard Scholarship; Ivy Musso, Class Scholarship.
Class 4.—Betty Baker, Class Scholarship; Dorothy Lyon, Prize for Hygiene, History and Geography; Marie Nolan, English.
Class 5.—Herbert Angus, Class Scholarship; Andrew Hazeland, Geography.
Class 6.—Henry Nolan, Class Scholarship; Irene Passmore, General Progress; Kitty Fooks, General Progress.
Class 7.—Richard Leach, Class Scholarship; Cissy Polley, General Progress; Jessie Johnson, General Progress.
Class 8.—Wm. Nolan, Class Prize; Edith Moses, General Progress.
Infants.—Dorothy Baker, Class Prize; Irene Nolan, General Progress; Lyle Glendinning, Drawing.
Special Prizes.—War Memorial Prize, Robt. Duncan, Senior Prize for Chinese, presented by Mr. E. Ralphs, Nicholas Nolan, Junior Prize for Chinese, Wm. Gardiner; J.R.M. Smith School ship, Nancy McNeillie.

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COUNCIL MEETING.

TO-MORROW'S AGENDA.

VOLUNTEER FORCE TO BE FORMED.

The Legislative Council meets at noon to-morrow. Besides two resolutions concerning the Standing Orders, the agenda contains the following items:

THE MILITARY ESTABLISHMENTS.

The Hon. Mr. Pollock will move the following resolution:

"That, with a view to giving facilities for commercial expansion, a Committee of the Legislative Council be appointed, consisting of His Excellency the General Officer Commanding and two Official and three Unofficial Members of the Legislative Council, for the purpose of considering and reporting to this Council upon the resumption by the Hongkong Government of the Military Establishments on the Queen's Road and the terms and conditions of such resumption."

HOUSING SCHEMES.

The Hon. Mr. Pollock will move:

"That the various Housing Schemes for different sections of the community in various districts of the Colony be now referred by the Government to the Public Works Committee of the Legislative Council, with power to that Committee to make suggestions as to the carrying out and financing of such schemes and as to the improvement of the methods of communication with the outlying districts which are sought to be developed by such schemes."

INTERESTING QUESTIONS.

The following questions will be put by the Hon. Mr. Pollock:

1. What steps is the Government taking for the purpose of carrying out the recommendations of the Coroner's Jury with regard to the recent Victoria Gaol tragedy, in which two Warders lost their lives.

2. Will the Government consider the advisability of establishing a Pasteur Institute in this Colony? What would be approximately the cost of doing so? Will the Government procure the services of a trained and fully qualified man, who has passed through the course at a Pasteur Institute?

3. In view of the bad example set by the exhibition of crimes of violence and other criminal acts on cinema films, will the Government give directions to the Censors to refuse to pass films for exhibition in this Colony which show the execution of any of such crimes or criminal acts?

4. What steps is the Government taking to secure the inclusion of Hongkong in the proposed Imperial Commercial Wireless Scheme?

5. What facilities is the Government giving for the encouragement of Aerial Transport to and from this Colony?

NEW BILLS.

The Hon. Attorney General will move the first reading of a Bill intitled An Ordinance to make provision with regard to the execution of instruments under

LORD DUNSANY.

It must have been about 1902 or 1903 when we first find mention of Dunsany in connection with the literary movement in Ireland. George Moore remarks in speaking of A. E. "He was offered some hundreds of pounds by Lord Dunsany to found a review, but he had not time to edit it, and proposed John Eglinton. "Contrary John" wanted to see life steadily, and to see it whole; and Years came along with a sneer, and said: "I hear, Lord Dunsany, that you are going to supply groundsel for A. E.'s canaries." The sneer brought the project to naught. And so the review was not founded. Nevertheless this must have been Dunsany's initial entrance as a patron of art. His first published book was issued in 1905, but his first play did not appear until 1909, when "The Glittering Gate" was put on at the Abbey Theatre, Dublin. "King Argimenes" and the "Unknown Warrior" following in February of 1911 at the Abbey, and the next June "The Gods of the Mountain" went on at the Haymarket Theatre, London. Then came "The Golden Doom" at the Haymarket in November of 1912, after which it was played successfully through a number of Russian cities. The productions of both "The Gods of the Mountain" and "The Golden Doom" were entirely successful, the first so much so that William A. Brady, the American producer, brought the production intact from the Haymarket, except as to cast and put it on in Buffalo, New York.

This was in the summer of 1912. The next production was that of "The Lost Silk Hat" by E. Iden Payne at Manchester in August of 1913, during the repertory season there. In 1914 "The Glittering Gate" was put on at the Neighborhood Playhouse, New York, to be followed by "A Night at an Inn" and "The Tents of the Arabs" in 1916, all at the same theatre. These two last plays have not as yet had an English production. Thus the season of 1916 was a splendid one for Dunsany in America, for at the same time that "The Tents of the Arabs" was put on at the Neighborhood Playhouse, "The Gods of the Mountain", "King Argimenes" and the "Unknown Warrior" and "The Golden Doom" were staged by Stuart Walker in his Portman Theatre, which may be said to be of New York, Tientsin and Thalanna, for it is a travelling theatre. The productions of the Dunsany plays were most beautifully done, however, and all New York was Dunsany (read on the instant). That is roughly the history of Dunsany's dramatic career. It covers only eight years, but surely those eight years have come to a most wonderful fruition.

seal by the agents of certain foreign corporations.

The Hon. Attorney General will move the first reading of a Bill intitled An Ordinance to provide for the establishment of a Volunteer Force.

The Hon. Attorney General will move the first reading of a Bill intitled An Ordinance to modify certain provisions of the Treaty of Peace Order, 1919, for the purpose of adapting the provisions of the Order to the circumstances of the Colony of Hongkong.

THE C.Y.C.

MEMBERSHIP FOR LADIES.

Mr. P. M. Hodgson presided at an extraordinary general meeting of members of the Corinthian Yacht Club held last night at the Clubhouse.

The Chairman dealt first of all with several minor amendments in the rules and these were carried unanimously. He then stated the meeting had been mainly called for the purpose of dealing with the question of allowing ladies to become members with racing rights. He proposed a resolution, accordingly that ladies might join and enjoy all the privileges of the Club, except the right to vote at meetings upon payment of the subscription of \$5 per annum; and that naval and military members might join as subscribers upon payment of the full annual subscription as defined in the rules, without entrance fee and without the right to vote at meetings. The meeting really arose from the desire on the part of several members of the Club to allow ladies to join. While the Committee were bringing forward the resolution he was now putting, they considered it a good opportunity to alter the rules in several small details to bring them more in line with the proper working of the Club. With regard to the admission of ladies, there were one or two ladies in the Colony, wives of members of the Club, who were capable of handling boats and did handle boats, as well as members of the Club. These ladies came to the Club and they very sportingly took out small boats in all kinds of weather. In fact the weather was better they seemed to like it. He thought they ought to give these ladies the opportunity of being able to race in the Club fixtures. At present they did not have that opportunity. They could only take boats out and enjoy racing for the fun of the game. But the ladies liked racing competitions just as much as the men did and there could not possibly be any objection to the ladies being given all the privileges suggested in the resolution he was making. He was sure everybody would support it. The Committee members were very surprised when they discovered that under the present rules ladies could not enter the competitions.

The motion was carried unanimously.

THE MOTOR BANDITS.

SENTENCED TO DEATH.

The hearing of the motor bandit case was concluded yesterday at the Supreme Court when Ip Sui-ping, Ng Wai and Cheung Sing were charged with the murder of Lau Cho on November 26th.

The Hon. Attorney-General (Mr. J. H. Kemp, K.C.) prosecuted for the Crown, and F. C. Jenkin, C.B.E., instructed by Mr. Arculli, defended.

In his address to the jury, Mr. Jenkin said the prisoners were not identified as having used any weapons in the vicinity of Shop 29. The weapons were revolvers of a point 22 calibre, whilst the bullet found in the body of the deceased was of a different calibre. There was no evidence to prove that one of the members of the gang had committed the murder. In order that the prisoners be held guilty under that Rule of Law one individual member of the gang must be proved to have killed the deceased. If there were proof of that then the Rule of Law was fully satisfied and the prisoners were guilty. But there was no such proof forthcoming.

After an absence of ten minutes the jury found all three prisoners guilty, and they were sentenced to death. Two of the prisoners made short statements asserting their innocence.

Mr. Justice Gompertz stated that he was making a full report of the proceedings for E. E. the Governor, and he intended to make mention of the splendid services rendered by the Police, the Indian constables, the Chinese constables and the other officers who had taken a part in bringing the prisoners to justice.

Mr. W. C. Robinson, foreman of the jury, stated that the jury wished to recommend for notice the numerous police officers etc. who had so effectively dealt with the case.

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Staff & Depts.	5	3	2	0	14	3	6
Club Recreio	7	3	4	0	7	15	6
S.C.A. "B"	6	2	4	0	7	12	4
St. Joseph's (R)	5	2	3	0	6	21	4
S.C.A. "A"	7	1	5	1	3	17	3
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MADRAS	7,000	30th Jan.	Calcutta via Singapore, Penang & Rangoon.

S.S.	Tons	From Hongkong (about)	Destination
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IYO MARU Friday, 20th Feb., at noon.
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TOYAMA MARU Wednesday, 4th Feb.
LIVERPOOL & MARSEILLES via Singapore, Colombo, Suez and Port Said.
MELBOURNE & SYDNEY via Manila, Zamboanga, Thursday Island, Townsville & Brisbane.
AKI MARU Wednesday, 18th Feb., at 11 a.m.
TANGO MARU Wednesday, 24th Mar., at 11 a.m.
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TAJIMA MARU Beginning of March.
SOUTH AMERICAN PORTS via Cape.
HAKATA MARU End of February.
BOMBAY & COLOMBO via Singapore.
TENSIN MARU Wednesday, 4th February.
CALCUTTA & RANGOON via Singapore & Penang.
CEYLON MARU End of January.
JAPAN PORTS—Nagasaki, Kobe & Yokohama.
TANGO MARU Saturday, 21st Feb., at 11 a.m.
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SHIPPING NEWS.

URGING ON JAPANESE SHIPBUILDING.

The Japanese Government is stated to be urging on shipping companies the construction of faster vessels, in view of the post-bellum activity. An acceleration of the Shanghai services is particularly desired, and the Government will submit a Bill to the Diet this session for an increased subsidy.

IMPROVING NAGASAKI HARBOUR.

Plans for the improvement of Nagasaki harbour are under consideration. The principal feature of the scheme is the construction of a wharf, or sea wall, with depth of water alongside of about 30 feet to be used chiefly for the accommodation of the fast passenger liners which are to be employed in the proposed N.Y.K. Nagasaki-Shanghai service. A pier will also be built at the head of the harbour, in front of the fish market, to enable cargo to be discharged into railway trucks. The pier will be 180 feet in length and 48 feet wide. Deepening of the harbour will be necessary.

A REPORT REQUESTED.

A leading article published in *Shipping and Engineering* last autumn on the loss of the s.s. Haurato with all hands in a typhoon off the Paracels and the failure of the Admiralty in Hongkong to send a warship to search for possible survivors, has been sent home to the Imperial Merchant Service Guild by the China Coast Officers' Guild, and the matter is being vigorously taken up there. A copy of a letter from the Admiralty to the I.M.S.G. has been received which states: "With reference to your letter of November 25 relative to the loss of Haurato, I am commanded by My Lords the Commissioners of the Admiralty to inform you that the Commander-in-Chief China Station has been directed to render a report on the matter."

SHIPS' OFFICERS AND DISCIPLINE.

To protect themselves against unions among the crews and to preserve discipline at sea, the officers, engineers, doctors and pursers of the Atlantic liners have formed an association at Liverpool, Southampton and London, which is spreading to all British ports. They are reported to have taken this action because of the attitude of the steamship lines in yielding to demands made by the men, without regard to the views of officers on the maintenance of discipline. In several instances recently unions of seamen, firemen, and stewards have complained to the companies against certain officers and have obtained their removal under conditions which the officers contend were unfair to the men removed. Captain Charles Turner of the Seamen's and Firemen's Unions has declared himself in favour of the officers' association as a step needed to maintain discipline. American steamship officers, engineers, pursers and doctors are expected to join, as the discipline on American vessels is said to be no better than on British ships. Shipping Board vessels which have to pick up nondescript crews and inexperienced officers frequently have to hoist signals for the police boat when they reach French and British ports.

INLAND NAVIGATION IN CHINA.

A common topic among seafaring and shipping people is the extraordinary opportunity China now presents for the use of motor craft on inland lakes and rivers. During the past few years there has been a very marked advance in the number of motor-boats in the waterways of the Yangtze provinces, many local companies having come into existence, running in the majority of cases boats which could never pass muster on a general marine survey. Unfortunately, accidents often occur, and it would appear that drastic legislation is needed to ensure efficient operation of these small steam and petrol vessels. We remember one of these accidents happened a few months ago. It appears that a company, of Kwang-tung origin, had just put on the first of a long promised line of oil steamers. The people of Kanchow were delighted with the venture, and prospects of a big success seemed assured. But calamity came. A fire occurred, there was only one principal exit, and as the steamer drifted out into the stream passengers were faced with death by either drowning or burning. The scene was pitiable, we believe. This sad occurrence only tends further to emphasize to the Chinese the wisdom, first, of building sound ships; and secondly, of efficiently manning them.

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Destination	Steamer	Sailing
STRAITS & Calcutta	Namsang	Thur., 29th Jan. at 3 p.m.
SHANGHAI via Swatow	Wingsang	Fri., 30th Jan. at d'light.
SHANGHAI	Yuensang	Sat., 31st Jan. at 3 p.m.
SHANGHAI	Hopsang	Sun., 1st Feb. at d'light.
HAIPHONG via Hoihow	Loksang	Sun., 1st Feb. at 8 a.m.
KOBE	Chaksang	Wed., 4th Feb. at 5 p.m.

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For	Steamers	To Sail
SHANGHAI	Sunning	29th Jan. at noon.
SHANGHAI & TSINGTAO	Yingchow	1st Feb. at d'light.
SWATOW & BANGKOK	Liangchow	3rd Feb. at 9 a.m.
MANILA, CEBU & ILOILO	Taming	10th Feb. at 4 p.m.

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Steamships	Captain	Leaving
Haihong	W. C. Fassmon	FRI., 30th Jan. at 1 p.m.
Haiching	A. H. Stewart	TUES., 3rd Feb. at 1 p.m.
Quinnebaug	Medina	FRI., 6th Feb. at noon.

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BUENOS AIRES—Rio de Janeiro, Santos, Mauritius, Durban and Cape Town via Singapore.

"CANADA MARU" ... End of Feb.
BOMBAY & COLOMBO—Regular fortnightly service via S'pore.
SAIGON, BANGKOK & SINGAPORE—Regular Monthly Service.
"UNNAN MARU" ... Wednesday, 18th Feb.

SYDNEY & MELBOURNE—Monthly service taking cargo to New Zealand and Pacific Islands.
"MITSUKI MARU" ... Saturday, 31st Jan.
VICTORIA & VANCOUVER—Tacoma via Manila, Keelung, Shanghai, Nagasaki, Moji, Kobe, Yokkaichi & Yokohama.

"AFRICA MARU" ... Wednesday, 25th Feb.
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"SOSHU MARU" ... Thursday, 29th Jan.
"AMAKUSA MARU" ... Sunday, 1st Feb.

TAKAO via SWATOW & AMOY.
"SOSHU MARU" ... Thursday, 29th Jan.

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S.S. "ECUADOR" ... Wednesday, Mar. 24th.

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"WEST SELENE" ... Friday, Feb. 20th.

From S'pore for SINGAPORE, PENANG & CALCUTTA.
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"CROSSKEYS"	Japan	Feb. 15	Feb. 24	Japan
"WHEATLAND"	Japan	Feb. 24	Mar. 5	Japan

For PORTLAND direct.

Steamer	From	Expected on or about	Will leave on or about	For
"MONTAGUE"	Japan	Feb. 15	Feb. 24	Japan
"ABERCOR"	Japan	Feb. 24	Mar. 5	Japan

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VANCOUVER

STEAMER	SAILING DATE.
"MELVILLE DOLLAR"	8th March.
"HAROLD DOLLAR"	21st March.

FOR SAN FRANCISCO.

STEAMER	SAILING DATE.
"WEST HARTS"	2nd February.
"STANLEY DOLLAR"	6th February.

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STEAMER	SAILING DATE.
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Sailings from Hongkong:

STEAMER	From	Expected on or about	Will leave on or about	For
"ATREUS"	via Suez	28th January.		
"CHARLTON HALL"	via Suez	20th March.		

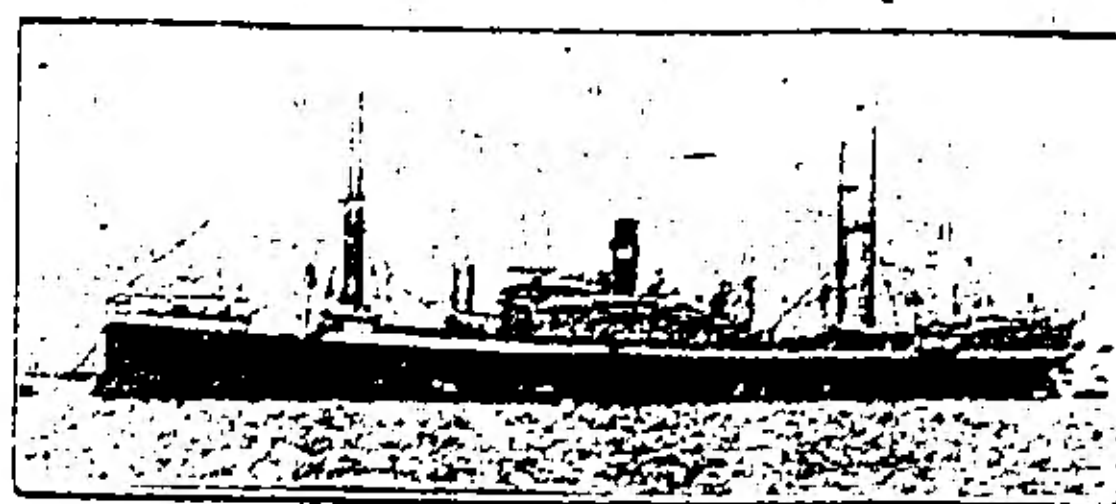
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Tjisondari	Japan	10th Feb.	12th Feb.	Java

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The N. Y. K. s.s. TOTOMI M. (Bombay Line) left Bombay for this port direct on the 16th Jan., and is expected here on the 4th Feb.

The N. Y. K. s.s. SHINYO M. (Bombay Line) left Bombay for this port direct on the 18th Jan., and is expected here on the 6th Feb.

The N. Y. K. s.s. KAGA M. (European Line) left London for this port via Suez Canal on the 10th Jan., and is expected here on the 18th Feb.

The R. M. S. EMPRESS OF RUSSIA left Vancouver for Hongkong, via Japan ports, Shanghai and Manila, on the 22nd Jan., and is due here on or about the 16th February.

The N. Y. K. s.s. TAMA M. (Bombay Line) left Singapore for this port on the 19th Jan., and is expected here on the 30th Jan.

The P. & O. s.s. MADRAS left Moji for this port on the 24th instant at p.m., and is due here on the 25th inst. at about noon.

The N. Y. K. s.s. SHIMPO M. (Calcutta Line) left Singapore for this port on the 23rd Jan., and is expected here on the 4th Feb.

The P. & O. s.s. ITOLA left Singapore for this port on the 24th instant at 5 p.m., and is due here on the 5th February.

The R. M. S. MONTEAGLE arrived at Moji on January 24th left there January 25th and is due at Kobe on January 26th.

The R. M. S. EMPRESS OF ASIA arrived at Nagasaki on 26th January left there 27th Jan., and is due at Kobe on 28th Jan.

The R. M. S. EMPRESS OF RUSSIA from Hongkong on the 25th Dec., arrived at Vancouver on the 15th January.

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Steamer	Company	Jan.	Feb.
Colombia	P. M. Co.	Jan. 28	
Atreus	B. L.	Jan. 28	
Madras	P. & O.	Jan. 28	
Siberia	T. K. K.	Jan. 30	
Mitsuki M.	O. S. K.	Jan. 31	
Grace D.	R. D. Co.	Jan. 31	
Africa	D. & Co.	Jan. 31	
Lake Faulk	P. M. Co.	Jan. 31	
Ceylon M.	N. Y. K.	E. of Jan.	
Atlas M.	O. S. K.	B. of Feb.	
Unnan M.	O. S. K.	Feb. 1	
West Harts	R. D. Co.	Feb. 2	
Persia M.	T. K. K.	Feb. 3	
St. Francis	B. L.	Feb. 3	
St. Andrew	D. & Co.	Feb. 4	
Iconium	A. L.	Feb. 4	
Toyama M.	N. Y. K.	Feb. 4	
Suwa M.	N. Y. K.	Feb. 4	
St. Albans	P. & O.	Feb. 4	
Van Waerwyck	J. C. J. L.	Feb. 5	
Stanley D.	R. D. Co.	Feb. 6	
Kamo M.	N. Y. K.	Feb. 6	
Changsha	B. & S.	Feb. 7	
Somali	P. & O.	Feb. 8	
West Jena	S. & D.	Feb. 9	
Ariosto	B. L.	Feb. 10	
Suvaric	B. L.	Feb. 10	
Eastern	P. & O.	Feb. 11	
Matoppe	B. L.	Feb. 10	
Moorish Prince	S. T. Co.	Feb. 15	
Crosskeys	A. L.	Feb. 15	
Dilwara	P. & O.	Feb. 16	
West Isor	S. & D.	M. of Feb.	
Aki M.	N. Y. K.	Feb. 18	
Iyo M.	N. Y. K.	Feb. 20	
Tango M.	N. Y. K.	Feb. 21	
Kashima M.	N. Y. K.	Feb. 22	
Korea M.	N. Y. K.	Feb. 23	
Whetland	A. L.	Feb. 24	
Africa M.	O. S. K.	Feb. 25	
Venezuela	P. M. Co.	Feb. 25	
Lake Fielding	P. M. Co.	Feb. 25	
Hakata M.	N. Y. K.	E. Feb.	
Colorado Springs	S. & D.	E. Feb.	
Canada M.	O. S. K.	E. Feb.	
Hathaway	S. & D.	E. Feb.	
West Isis	S. & D.	E. Feb.	
Tajima M.	N. Y. K.	B. of Mar.	
Nile	C. M. Co.	Mar. 2	
Melville	D. R. D. Co.	Mar. 8	
Tenyo M.	T. K. K.	Mar. 11	
Western Cross	A. L.	M. Mar.	
Endicott	A. L.	Mar. 16	
Fushimi M.	N. Y. K.	Mar. 17	
Harold D.	R. D. Co.	Mar. 21	
Nanking	C. M. Co.	Mar. 23	

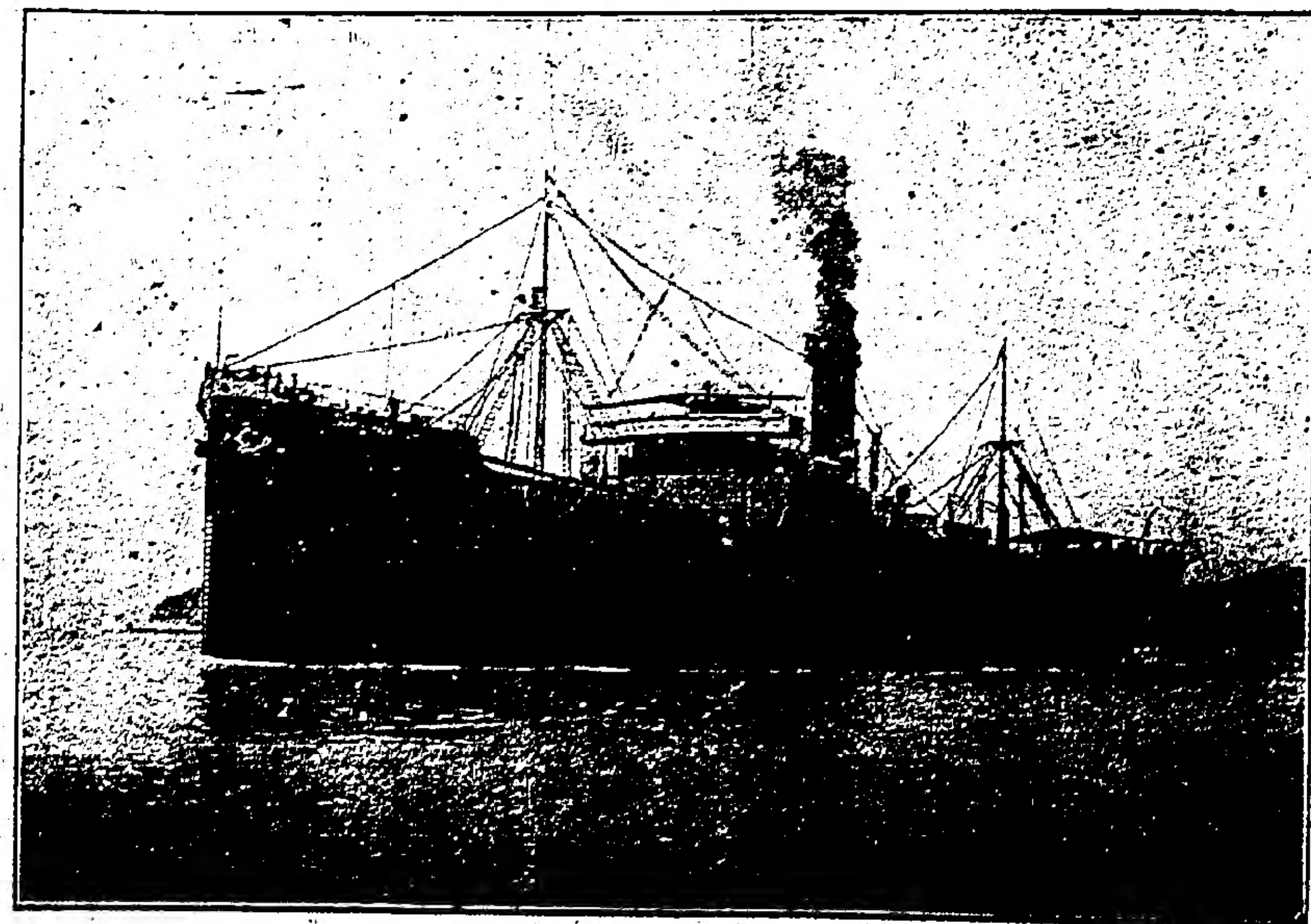
JAPAN, COAST PORTS, ETC.

Steamer	Company	Jan.	Feb.
Hangsang	J. M. Co.	Jan. 28	
Kweilin	B. & S.	Jan. 28	
Soshu M.	O. S. K.	Jan. 29	
Sunning M.	B. & S.	Jan. 29	
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Wingsang	J. M. Co.	Jan. 30	
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Yuensang	J. M. Co.	Jan. 31	
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Hopsang	J. M. Co.	Feb. 1	
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Liangchow	B. & S.	Feb. 3	
Chakshang	J. M. Co.	Feb. 4	
Dilwara	P. & O.	Feb. 4	
Shimpo M.	N. Y. K.	Feb. 4	
Tenshin M.	N. Y. K.	Feb. 4	
Shidzuoka M.	N. Y. K.	Feb. 5	
Quinnebaug	D. L. Co.	Feb. 6	
Taming	B. & S.	Feb. 10	
Tjilawong	J. C. J. L.	Feb. 12	
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WHAT IS UGLINESS?

OLD AND NEW NOTIONS.

There has been an advertisement in the paper for "the ugliest woman in London." Two people who came upon this advertisement the other morning proceeded to amuse themselves in the genial way of human nature by examining their friends and acquaintances to discover which of them had the best claim to the job.

To their disappointment (says a writer in the *Telegraph*) they could not think of anybody, not even their pet abomination, who was considered impartially, very ugly. Plain people—oh! yes, hosts of them; disagreeable-looking people—quite a lot; silly-looking people—any amount; but people definitely and conspicuously ugly—none.

We differ about beauty, and even more do we differ about ugliness. I suppose the commonest, the popular, standard of ugliness is the unusual. You find this in perfection in children. Show a child pictures or statues of people of an unfamiliar type—it doesn't matter much who they are, ancient Egyptians or Tudor ladies—and that child will laugh or shudder. *Rameses II.* and *Anne Boleyn* are alike horribly ugly.

You and I perhaps have got beyond that. But did you never look at a grandmother's portrait, and compassionately sigh? Such a fright the poor dear had to make herself! How could she wear such clothes, how could she do her hair like that? and as for grandfather—grotesque, a night-mare. Well, they didn't think so, and heaven only knows what they would think of us. But, then they would certainly agree with us that the negro type is very ugly; neither they nor we can admire the Tartar.

It is an axiom with us that a nose without a bridge, that a prominent and thick-lipped jaw are ugly. But I suppose that is not commonly accepted in Timbuctoo and Mongolia. I could quote passages even from English literature lauding the beauty of almond eyes. But the other day I came across a general officer who suggested that the almond eye was the brand of Cain.

Suppose we rule out any attempt to make a universal standard of beauty and ugliness and declare roundly that the things are matter of latitude and longitude.

The fairest forms of Kew
Are the frights of Khatmandou
And Clapham's nightmares loved
in Martaban.

But then you have to go further still. The beauty which charms the ploughboy is rather a blowsy creature in Piccadilly. One set of people will think a man a living skeleton while another lot call him Galahad.

So the standard must be a good deal less than national. Of course, there are some flagrant cases, a poor creature who is constructed like a gargyle, a sheer deformity, is, I suppose, ugly to everybody and everywhere. Perhaps we had better rule out deformity, for that in decent people excites too much pity for thought about its ugliness. But then ought we to laugh at any sort of ugliness? It is not a man's fault that he is born with a queer nose or an eccentric mouth. We don't talk about his oddity to his face. Is it decent to laugh at it behind his back?

Ugliness must be something positive, not the mere absence of charm, not merely something which doesn't please you. But what kind of a something, something that is really painful to look at, something that is disagreeable or something that is merely queer and comical? I fancy we shall never come to any agreement about that.

At the beginning of eighteenth century men had clean-shaven faces, but they did not, even men living in the best society, shave every day. Look into Swift's journal, and you will find that "shaving day" happens only once or twice a week, though he was hand-and-glove with Cabinet Ministers. Could anything be uglier?

And what if even within a few generations physical types have changed? It is an old story that twentieth century men cannot

"THE SHADOW OF WAR."

AN APT APPLICATION.

The following extract from a recent novel is supplied by a contributor to a Home Journal who directs attention to the significance of its application to present day conditions—

"Strike, strike; everywhere and in every calling, the word had gone forward—Strike! It mattered not the reason. It mattered not the workers' condition. If wages were ample, then strike for less work. If the work was insufficient, then strike for a minimum wage. If no grievance could be found at all, then strike because there was none. In any case strike, and see that the demands included recognition of Labour Unions, and particularly of the demagogues who led them.

"So the storm clouds of industrial insurrection were fostered. They threatened, and rapidly, in almost every direction, the flood of storm burst. Every sane, hard thinking man asked his neighbor the reason. Every far-sighted man, on both sides, shook his head and pointed the approach of a hideous reckoning. Every fool looked on and laughed, and, shrugging his shoulders, swam with the tide on the side to which he belonged.

"And all the time the demagogues screamed from the house-tops, and claimed the daily press. These carrion of democracy actually belonged to neither side. They did not toil in the mills, nor did they employ labour. Theirs it was to feed upon the carcasses of the worker, and wrest power from those who possessed it. Whatever happened they must be winners in the game they played. Nor did it matter one iota to them who might be the sufferers by their juggling.

"They possessed 'one marketable commodity, their powers of stirring strife. Nor were they particular to whom they sold. They belonged to a class of their own, an unscrupulous, ambitious, self-seeking race of intelligent creatures, whose sole aim was publicity and power, which in the end, must yield them that position and plenty which they desired in others. It mattered little to them whether they preached Syndicalism or Sauce. Their services must be paid for in the way they desired. Vituperating from the summit of an upturned butter tub, or hurling invective from the cushioned benches of a Nation's Assembly of Legislature, it made no difference to them. Anything they undertook must be paid for, at their own market price.

These were the microbes of industrial unrest which had multiplied during the dark months of the year on hot-beds that were rich and fat and warm. Their paunches were heavy with the goodly supplies of sustenance which they drew from the bodies of those who, in their blind ignorance and stupidity, were powerless to resist their insidious blandishments."

get into the armour of the days of chivalry. The other day in some eighteenth century memoirs I came upon the remark that "damsels of 5 ft. 10 in. would not inspire much affection." It would be a poor look-out for our daughters if that were true. Yet the eighteenth-century people seem to have taken it as an axiom. A moderately tall woman was to them a grotesque. What would they say to the sturdy Amazons of 1919.

When an actress wants to pretend to be ugly and lowly now it is long odds that she pulls her hair straight back and plasters it down and makes a nob or bunch at the back. Then we all say politely that it was noble and marvellous of her to make herself so hideous. But only a generation or so back everybody thought that way of displaying the female skull perfectly beautiful.

If you look at the portraits of the past and try to compare them with ours, you will incline to believe that even feminine features have changed—they have ceased to be tiny, they have become bold. We think the beauties of yesterday niminy piminy I wonder what they would say of ours.

COMPANY MEETING.

THE HONGKONG ELECTRIC CO., LTD.

An extraordinary general meeting of the Hongkong Electric Co., Ltd., was held at the office of the Company to-day at noon for the purpose of passing extraordinary resolutions. Mr. W. J. C. Bonnaire, President, and there were also present—Sir Paul Chater, C.M.G., the Hon. Mr. J. Johnston, and the Hon. Mr. S. H. Dodwell (Directors), Mr. H. J. Gedge (Solicitor to the Company), Mr. Graham (Manager), and Messrs. C.H.P. Hay, Young, Sing Ip Fook, Leung Wing-sang, Chan Cho-nam, L. E. Ozorio, Leung Yau-pa, A.H.M. da Silva and J. F. Grosse (Shareholders.)

The notice convening the meeting having been read by the Manager, The Chairman said:—Gentlemen, The first business before us is to consider, and if thought fit, approve the Draft New Articles, which are submitted to the Meeting. Our present Articles of Association were drawn up in 1889 when the Company was formed, and with the exception of an alteration in the Capital of the Company in 1899, have not been amended in any way. To meet present day requirements, and to bring them into line with the Hongkong Companies Ordinances, it is necessary that they should be brought up to date.

The Solicitors of the Company have gone carefully into them, and the Draft Articles now submitted are on similar lines to what other Companies operating here and at Home have adopted recently. The Circular dated 13th January draws your attention to the principal variations, and I do not think there is anything that can be usefully added to it. I therefore propose, as an Extraordinary Resolution, that the Draft Articles now submitted to the meeting be approved.

This was seconded by Sir Paul Chater, C.M.G., and unanimously approved. The Chairman said:—The second Extraordinary Resolution deals with the proposed increase of the Capital of the Company to \$3,000,000, by the creation of 340,000 Shares of \$10 each, ranking for Dividend and in all other respects *pari passu* with the existing shares in the Company. The Company, as you are aware, was formed in 1889 with a Capital of \$300,000, which was increased to \$600,000 ten years later. Since then the operations of the Company have been extended considerably, and almost every year has witnessed extensive addition to our generating plant and mains. For some time these have been paid for out of revenue, with assistance from our Bankers, and a Reserve Fund formed, but the time has now come when more money is required for further additions to Plant and Mains. When it was decided by your Directors to purchase the land at North Point and erect a new Generating Station there, the time seemed opportune to increase our Capital. The war broke out very soon afterwards, which prevented your Directors carrying out their intention. The new plant which has been installed at North Point, and other necessary additions, have been financed by our Bankers, to whom we are indebted at the present moment for about \$600,000. To cope with the increased demand for current, an order has been placed for a 5,000 K.W. Turbo Generator, which is hoped will be delivered this year, and it is more than likely that by the time that plant is running, we shall have to order another of similar size. To meet this expense and wipe out our overdraft requires fresh capital, and I think Shareholders will agree that the Resolution, which I shall now propose, is not only in the best interests of the Company, but essentially in order that we may efficiently cope with the ever-increasing demand for current made upon us. I propose the following Extraordinary Resolution:—That the Capital of the Company be increased to Three Million Dollars (\$3,000,000) by the creation of Two Hundred and Forty Thousand

NOTICE.

THE KOWLOON LAND AND BUILDING CO., LTD.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the THIRTY FIRST ORDINARY MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS in this Company will be held at the COMPANY'S OFFICES VICTORIA BUILDING on Thursday 5th February 1920 at 12 o'clock noon for the purpose of receiving the REPORT of DIRECTORS together with Statement of Accounts for the year ending 31st December 1919.

The REGISTER of SHARES of the Company will be CLOSED from Wednesday 28th January to Thursday 5th February 1920 (both days inclusive), during which period no TRANSFER of SHARES can be Registered.

By Order of the Board of Directors.

MOWBRAY S. NORTHCOTE
Secretary to the
Hongkong Land Investment & Agency Co., Ltd.
General Agents for the
Kowloon Land and Building Co., Ltd.
Hongkong, 21st January, 1920.

NOTICE.

The Annual Open Billiard Championship of the Colony, held under the auspices of the Victoria Recreation Club.

Entries close on 31st January and are to be accompanied by entrance fee of \$2. The number of points to be played and other arrangements will be decided at a meeting of the Competitors. The competition is open to all in the Colony.

R. H. B. MITCHELL,
Hon. Secretary,
Victoria Recreation Club.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned has received instructions to sell by Public Auction on
Friday, the 30th Jan. 1920,
commencing at 11.45 a.m.
at Holt's Wharf, Kowloon
64 Cases Pilsener Beer (qts)
Terms: cash on delivery.
Geo. P. LAMMERT,
Auctioneer.

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(240,000) shares of Ten Dollars (\$10.00) each, ranking for dividend and in all other respect *pari passu* with the existing shares in the Company.

The Hon. Mr. S. H. Dodwell seconded and the resolution was unanimously passed.

The Chairman:—Having passed the first Resolution without modification, the third Resolution is merely a formal one. I have therefore to propose the following Extraordinary Resolution:—That the New Articles already approved by this Meeting, and for the purposes of identification thereof subscribed by the Chairman, be, and the same are hereby approved, and that such Articles be, and they are, hereby adopted as the Articles of the Company, to the exclusion of, and in substitution for, all the existing Articles thereof.

The Hon. Mr. J. Johnston seconded and the resolution was approved. This was all the business, the Chairman announcing that a confirmatory meeting would be held on February 16.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

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NOTICE.

UNION WATERBOAT COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

The Fifteenth Annual General Meeting of Shareholders will be held in the offices of Messrs. Dodwell & Co., Limited on Monday the 9th February 1920 at 11 a.m. for the purpose of receiving the report of the General Managers together with a statement of accounts to 31st December 1919.

The Transfer Books of the Company will be closed from the 2nd to 9th February 1920 both dates inclusive.

DODWELL & CO., LTD.
General Managers.
Hongkong, 27th January, 1920.

HONGKONG GENERAL CHAMBER OF COMMERCE.

The Commission organizing The First Aerial Derby Around The World consisting of:—
Commodore Louis D. Beaumont (President)
Major Charles J. Glidden, U.S.A. F.R.G.S. (Executive Secretary)
Mr. Benjamin Hillman (Treasurer)

will address the Members of the Hongkong General Chamber of Commerce in the OLD CHAMBER OF COMMERCE ROOM, CITY HALL, on TUESDAY 3rd FEBRUARY, 1920 at 5 p.m.

All Returned airmen are cordially invited to attend.

By Order,
E. A. M. WILLIAMS,
Secretary.

Hongkong, 28th January, 1920.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned has received instructions to sell by Public Auction on
Thursday the 29th Jan. 1920,
commencing at 11 a.m.
at his Sales Rooms, Duddell Street

6 cases Toilet Soap
1 Sewing Machine (new)
1 16-bore Midland's Gun
11 pieces Lenos
30 cases Bar Soap
18 cases Noodles
Also

A quantity of Sundry Furniture

Terms: cash on delivery.
Geo. P. LAMMERT,

WANTED.

WANTED.—Lady & Gentleman going to Vancouver with 3 children ages 7, 4½ & 2½ by "Monteagle" on 16th March from Hongkong desire to communicate with Lady travelling by the same steamer who would be willing to help with the children. Terms to be arranged on application. Apply Mrs. Hornell No. 111 The Peak.

CONSIGNEES.

KONINKLIJKE PARETVAART MAATSCHAPPIJ.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

From SINGAPORE, PENANG, BELAWAN DELI.

The Steamship

"VAN WAERWYCK"

having arrived from the above ports, consignees of cargo by her are notified that all goods are being landed at their risk into the hazardous and/or extra-hazardous godowns of the Hongkong & Kowloon Wharf & Godown Co., Ltd., whence and/or from the wharves delivery may be obtained.

Goods not cleared by the 3rd February 1920, will be subject to rent.

All broken, chafed and damaged packages are to be left in the godowns where they will be examined on the 2nd February at 10 a.m. by Messrs. Goddard & Douglas.

Claims against the steamer must be presented in writing within ten days after arrival of steamer, otherwise they will not be recognised.

No Fire Insurance will be effected by the undersigned in any case whatever.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by

JAVA-CHINA-JAPAN LIJN,
Agents.
Hongkong, 28th February, 1919.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

From NEW YORK

The Steamship

"MUNCASTER CASTLE"

Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that all goods have been landed at their risk into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Ltd., at Kowloon, whence and/or from the wharves delivery may be obtained.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded unless notice to the contrary be given before.

No claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 4th prox will be subject to rent.

All claims against the steamer must be presented to the Undersigned on or before the 20th prox or they will not be recognized.

All broken, chafed, and damaged goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 3rd prox at 10 a.m. by Goddard & Douglas.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by

JODWELL & CO., LTD.,
Agents,
Hongkong, 28th January, 1920

NOTICE.

THE HONGKONG & KOWLOON WHARF & GODOWN CO., LTD.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

The Thirty-Third Ordinary Annual Meeting of Shareholders will be held at the Offices of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd., on Friday, February 6th 1920, at noon for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors and the Statement of Accounts for the year ending 31st December, 1919.

The Transfer Books of the Company will be closed from Tuesday, January 27th 1920, to Friday, February 6th 1920, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
W. S. BROWN,
Secretary.
Hongkong, January 22nd, 1920.

NOTICE.

THE HONGKONG LAND INVESTMENT & AGENCY COMPANY, LTD.

NOTICE is hereby given that the Thirty Second Ordinary Meeting of Shareholders in this Company will be held at the Offices of Messrs. Jardine Matheson & Co., Ltd. on Thursday 29th, January 1920 at 12 o'clock at noon for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors together with the Statement of Accounts for the year ending 31st December 1919.

The Register of Shares of the Company will be Closed from Monday 19th to Thursday 29th, January 1920 (both days inclusive), during which period no Transfer of Shares can be Registered.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
MOWBRAY S. NORTHCOTE
Secretary.

Hongkong, 13th January, 1920.

NOTICE.

THE HONGKONG LAND RE-LAMINATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE is hereby given that the Nineteenth Ordinary Meeting of Shareholders in this Company will be held at the Office of Messrs. Jardine Matheson & Company, Limited on Thursday the 29th, January 1920 at 11.45 a.m. for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors together with the Statement of Accounts for the year ending 31st, December 1919. The Register of Shares of the company will be Closed from Monday 19th to Thursday 29th, January 1920 (both days inclusive), during which period no Transfer of Shares can be Registered.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
MOWBRAY S. NORTHCOTE
Secretary.

Hongkong, 13th January, 1920

NOTICE.

THE HONGKONG CENTRAL ESTATE, LIMITED.

NOTICE is hereby given that the Sixth Ordinary Meeting of Shareholders in this Company will be held at the Offices of Messrs. Jardine Matheson & Company, Limited, on Thursday 29th January 1920 at 11.30 a.m. for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors together with the Statement of Accounts for the year ending 31st December 1919.

The Register of Shares of the Company will be Closed from Monday 19th to Thursday 29th January 1920 (both days inclusive), during which period no Transfer of Shares can be Registered.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
The Hongkong Central Estate, Limited.

MOWBRAY S. NORTHCOTE
Secretary to
The General Managers.
Hongkong, 13th January, 1920.

NOTICE.

REPULSE BAY HOTEL.

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Wednesday, 28th January, 1920,
and
Saturday, 31st January, 1920.

TEA DANSANT from 4 p.m. to 7 p.m.
DINNER DANSANT from 8 p.m.

On these occasions the charge for Tea will be \$1.00 per head, and for Table d'Hôte dinner at \$3.00 per head, exclusive of wines.

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THE POPULARITY OF FEATHERS.



A simple wide-brimmed hat of creamy tulle and silk becomes elaborate to the right degree when the brim is softened by a circle of ostrich feathers.

Designs of the Moment.

THE NEW SKIRTS.

All kinds of devices are used to accomplish the line of the skirt, which is wide at the hips, waist, and narrow at the lower hem. Many frocks are made with a hem, through which a wide elastic band has been threaded to draw it inwards. Some go so far as to appear to be a Turkish trouser-leg at the bottom! Others have their fulness restrained by a narrow circle of fur—about a yard and a half, and often much less—around the bottom. A very new device is shown of this kind of skirt by Lanvin. The fulness is all drawn to the sides, leaving the front and back quite flat and plain—just as it was last year—but this year the bottom must be narrow (I do not say hobbled, but it amounts to that), the fulness at the sides is set into regular flat pleats at the bottom, which are fastened down by means of a close kilting, secured top and bottom, which binds the bottom of the skirt at the sides.

VELVET FASHIONS.

Velvet dresses are quite the order of the day, and their trimming is usually kept as plain as possible. A new model for an afternoon gown, to be worn on very smart occasions, or for a demi-toilette evening dress, is made with the flat plain bodice and the Parisienne at the moment. The corsage in reality forms a sort of waistcoat and has wide straps of velvet over the shoulders, and is cut in one straight line from shoulder to waist, leaving the sides uncovered. At the waist it is slightly draped around the figure, for there is no sash or waistband. An under corsage of jade-green serge georgette of a very dull heavy quality is worn with this, and has short plain sleeves finished with a plain hem put on with a fancy silk stitch. The skirt is mounted in deep wide pleats at the waist, and on the large the material forms deep

hollow pleats standing well out from the figure. There are three pleats at each side, and each pleat is lined with the jade-coloured crepe. All the fulness of the skirt at the hips is drawn down at the lower hem with an elastic band placed inside a narrow roll of velvet.

Another charming idea for a velvet frock has a blouse bodice of bright green and blue foulard, with touches of orange here and there. The skirt, with its wide pockets, is of black velvet, and broad straps reach up over the Georgette collar back and front. Such a frock as this is very useful for ordinary theatre wear, for though one will find plenty of low cut gowns there are a great number of semi-evening styles during very cold weather and these are far more comfortable and just as good taste as the full evening frocks.

KEEP THE STYLE SIMPLE.

There is a mistaken impression in many people's minds that velvet frocks look heavy and clumsy. They certainly want thought given to the styles chosen, but providing there is no unnecessary bunchiness or too elaborate trimmings, the velvet frock will look as graceful as any thin silk or satin one.

WIDE POCKETS OR SILK FRILLS.

If you want to give the full-hip effect now so fashionable, it is a good plan to have wide, out-standing pockets, for these never look bulky as caught-up draperies of the velvet are so apt to do.

A most original rust-red velvet frock, had the wide effect given by accordion pleated frills of taffetas to match the velvet. These started at the waist on each side, and fell in five graduated tiers to just below the knees. A large jabot of the same silk trimmed the bodice, and the turned-back cuffs were also of the pleated silk.

THE TEMPTATIONS OF UP-TO-DATE JEWELLERY.

GLITTER FEVER.

The jewellers shops in the West End and in Bond-street in particular are a glitter with the blaze of diamonds, sapphires, rubies, and, indeed, every precious stone imaginable. After the years of stagnation they are making up for lost time, and even the most select and exclusive of shops have filled their windows with jewellery of every kind instead of the usual one or two choice pieces with which it was their wont to tempt the plutocrat.

GOLD SETTINGS OUT OF DATE.

"Gold as a setting has practically disappeared," said a well-known jeweller, "platinum and palladium having usurped its place, and, without doubt, platinum is the setting which shows diamonds off to perfection. The solitaire diamond takes first place in ring fashions at present, though it is run fairly close by the two-stone ring, with the stones, such as a choice diamond and a sapphire, set one above the other. Solitary stones naturally have to be of the very best, and such rings often run the purchaser into hundreds of pounds.

"People seem willing to spend very large sums on really good stuff," he said, "and, of course, it isn't as extravagant as it looks at first, as such jewels will always realise their value when necessary.

"Other popular designs in rings are the square cut stone set round with small diamonds and whole hoop rings either of stones which are all one colour or else a medley of colours produced by alternating diamonds, sapphires, and rubies. 'Eternity' rings they are sometimes called, and are worn as 'keepers.' The watch ring, that marvel of the watch-maker's skill, is fashionable again, as is also the ring which opens to contain a miniature. The ring which has a mechanical contrivance to hold a cigarette when required is a novelty.

BRACELET FASHIONS.

"Bracelets are nearly all flexible, and composed entirely of precious stones. The chain bracelet and flexible gold bracelet, with or without a watch, are quite out of date. Above-the-elbow bracelets are of an infinite variety. Jade, both pink and green, onyx, amber, and tortoise-shell are the most popular, and in the case of the last two usually have a row of diamonds or pearls inserted. There is really nothing too bizarre for these bracelets to be made of.

"Watches are all extremely small, with the exception of a few enamelled and jewelled ones, which are worn as a pendant on a fairly long chain; they are worn on the wrist on a narrow moire ribbon, with a diamond clasp. The watches are always set with diamonds, and the faces are of platinum.

"The most original and expensive watches, however, hang on a flexible fob composed entirely of diamonds, and have a tiny face not more than a quarter of an inch in diameter, the rest of the watch being thickly encrusted with diamonds. Needless to say, they are a millionaire's gift!

"Pendants are not elaborate affairs at present. The most popular consist of a single large stone, exquisitely cut, on a slender platinum chain. Aquamarine and moonstones have a strong appeal to the jewel-loving woman. In place of the neck-chain and pendant longer amber and tortoise-shell chains are often chosen, with a beautifully-carved medallion swinging somewhere in the region of the waist-line.

"Pearl necklaces are a standing dish, and are likely to remain so whatever else may come and go. Five hundred pounds is a reasonable price for quite a small necklace, but most women agree that there is a joy in pearls no other jewel however valuable can give. Pearls are very little used, however, except as necklaces.



One of the newest ideas at present is to have a snake, mouse, or other animal painted on the shoulder or back.

GOLD AND BLACK.



This dainty gown is of a shade changing from pale taupe to gold. The skirt is made in bouffant style, with large folds at the hip graduating to smaller folds which merge into the edge of the skirt at the bottom. The skirt is raised to a shorter length at the back. A width of several inches of gold filigree lace, widening at the back, finishes the skirt. A set-in yoke of the same lace finishes the bodice, which has a low, rounding neck, and extends over the shoulders as foundation for a brief length of sleeve. Short tabs of gold lace peep from beneath a soft girdle of coral satin ribbon. With this gown is worn a deep-brimmed picture hat of black panne velvet. Its only trimming is an encircling band of champagne shaded ostrich.

JEWELLED LORNETTES.
"Jewelled lorgnettes are to be seen everywhere, and every other smart woman you meet has a diamond arrow somewhere about her, either as a hatpin, hat ornament, brooch, or earring. In fact, we are in danger overdoing it in our jewellery adornment. I have heard it whispered that it is a useful way of disposing of surplus capital.

JOTTINGS.

PURSE PENDANTS.

Some of the new loom-woven necklets of beads have the cutest of pendants, also fashioned of beads. These are made to open at the top, and are just large enough to accommodate a few coins.

LOCKET WATCHES.

Locket watches are the latest craze. They are minute and fanciful, like the timepieces we used to suspend from brooches, but these are suspended instead from a gold or silver chain or a narrow black velvet ribbon around the neck.

A NEW MATERIAL.

The cleverness and originality of some of our designers of dress and household materials seems to increase each year. One of them has evolved a silken material which, unless closely scrutinised, would be taken for the most beautiful of Chinese embroidery. It has wonderful possibilities for curtains, portieres, screens, or cushions, more especially as it is reversible.

THE KNITTED JUMPER.

The knitted jumper-fever has evidently reached its climax, and in several very exclusive establishments the old-time sports coat is again being shown. "Coats are considered far more chic," said a fashionable dressmaker, "and we are only making knitted jumpers for young ladies." Many people will be glad to hear this, for the inevitable brightly-coloured jumper has become terribly monotonous.

CHINESE LACQUER.

Chinese lacquer in black and gold is in high favour at the moment. It is used for writing-table accessories, manicure cabinets, canteens of cutlery and clocks. A bride showed me a lovely gift she had been presented with in which it again played its part. I took it at first for a cabinet, but it proved to be the latest thing in gramophones, the kind that dispense with a horn, gave you the real thing and manage to be an artistic piece of furniture at the same time.

AN ORIGINAL IDEA.

A lady at the opera, carried, instead of a fan, a very original posy of flowers. The heart was a pale yellow rose, and packed tightly round it were flowers of a slightly deeper yellow. Then came berries of a deeper tone still, then more flowers deeper again, and finally reddish brown pods very like chillies stuck out at intervals all round. There was a background of lightly-wired lace. The dress had a crinoline touch about it, and the posy lent a decided early Victorian note which was pleasingly quaint.

COAT OF MINK.



Few styles in furs are more popular than that in which this coat is designed. It is made entirely of mink, cut full and falling loosely from the shoulders. The collar is made in an all-enveloping shawl design. Sleeves are quaintly cut, with a deep, bell-like design at the elbow, and set in at the shoulders in raglan style.

LEATHER CHAINS.
If you want to be "it" buy one of the new leather chains which can be used for a variety of purposes. They can be had in various colours daintily jewelled, the most beautiful being of jade green with little emerald clasps. They made their appearance for the first time at the Arts and Crafts Exhibition, and they are certainly worth possessing.

CAPE BLOUSES.

What may appropriately be called a cape blouse is a really delightful new style. The blouse possesses a circular collar so large as to fall almost to the edge of the elbow sleeves and to the waist in front. When the material used is georgette of a dainty colour and the cape-collar is of the same colour and material, accordion-pleated, the result is charming. The only trimming on many models is a narrow embroidered ribbon threaded just above the waist through the front of the cape and tied in a bow at the back.

SILKEN BRACELETS.

Gold bracelets, as we have been so accustomed to seeing them, are no longer worn in the daytime—at least, not by those who wish to be considered smart. The correct thing now is to wear watered silk ribbon wristlets, about half an inch wide. Of two novelties, one had the initial letter of the wearer's name in small diamonds, fastened on the ribbon just at the middle of the wrist, and the other had one of the tiniest little watches imaginable attached to it; it could not have been more than half an inch square, and lay flat on the ribbon.

NOVEL HAIRDRESSINGS.



Novel pins of rhinestone are arranged at each side of this coiffure, close to the neck. The latest fancy is the use of sprays made of green gold in the form of laurel leaves, worn high in the hair, as shown in the same sketch.



An ornament capable of lending great charm at is a bandeau such as shown in to-day's sketch. This bandeau is of greenish gold and brilliant. The feather fan is supported on tortoise shell sticks.

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Wisemans b. 27 1/2

Hongkong, Jan. 28, 1920.

WEATHER REPORT.

January 23d. 12h. 23m.—No returns from Vladivostok, or Japanese stations.

Pressure has decreased slightly over the Philippines, Indo-China and Formosa and considerably over the lower Yangtze Valley, which is now covered by a depression.

The monsoon is interrupted over the China Sea and along the coast of China.

Fogkong Rainfall for the 24 hours ending at 10 a.m. to-day, 0.00 inch. Total since January 1st, 0.00 inches, against an average of 1.20 inches.

FORECAST FOR THE 24 HOURS ENDING AT NOON TO-MORROW.

District Forecast
1 Hongkong to Gap Road, E. or light winds, light to moderate; cloudy, foggy.
2 Formosa Channel, E. or light winds, light to moderate; cloudy, foggy.
3 South coast of China, E. or light winds, light to moderate; cloudy, foggy.
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The FENGTIEN, agents, Messrs. Butterfield and Swire, arrived from Dally with 1,400 tons of beans.—Mooring, B 10.

The Asiatic Petroleum Company's PALEMBANG, with 2,700 tons of petroleum for Hongkong and 1,469 tons for other ports, arrived yesterday from Balikpapan. She reports a heavy north-east monsoon.—Mooring, B 11.

From Saigon, the THONG SAMUD (Siam S.S. Co.) arrived with 1,850 tons of rice and some mail.—Mooring, B 11.

The KYOTO MARU, belonging to the O. U. S.S. Co., arrived from Peking with 2,930 tons of sugar for this port.—Mooring, C 34.

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METEOROLOGICAL.

Previous.
Day On date On date.
at 5 p.m. at 5 a.m. at 5 p.m.
Barometer 29.55 29.91 29.88
Temperature 66 64 63
Humidity 68 90 81
Wind Direction E. CALM W.N.W.
Force 3 0 1
Weather 0.00 0.00 0.00
Rainfall 0.00 0.00 0.00
Total for month 27.66
Total for year 28.63

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INWARD MAILS.

Japan via Moji—Per MADRAS, 28th Jan.
Swatow and Shanghai—Per CHENAN, 29th Jan.
Bombay—Per TAMA M., 30th Jan.
Bombay—Per TOTOMI M., 4th Feb.
Straits & Calcutta—Per SHIMPO M., 4th Feb.
Singapore—Per ITOLA, 5th Feb.
Bombay—Per SHINYO M., 6th Feb.

OUTWARD MAILS.

TO-MORROW.

Swatow, Amoy and Formosa via Takao—Per SOSHU MARU, 29th Jan., 8 a.m.
Macao—Per SUI TAI, 29th Jan., 8.30 a.m.
Shanghai and North China—Per SUNNING, 29th Jan., 10 a.m.
Shanghai North China Japan via Yokohama, Honolulu, Canada, United States, Central and South America and EUROPE VIA SAN FRANCISCO—Per COLOMBIA, 29th Jan., Reg. 9.45 a.m. Letters 10.30 a.m.
Saigon—Per PROSPER, 29th Jan., noon.
Straits, Bangkok, India via Calcutta—Per NAMSANG, 29th Jan., 2 p.m.
Macao—Per CHUNCHOW, 29th Jan., 4.30 p.m.
FRIDAY, 30TH JANUARY.
Macao—Per SUI AN, 30th Jan., 8.30 a.m.
Straits, Bangkok, India via Calcutta—Per MADRAS, 30th Jan., noon.
Swatow, Amoy & Foochow—Per HAIHONG, 30th Jan., noon.
Macao—Per CHUNCHOW, 30th Jan., 4.30 p.m.
SATURDAY, 31ST JANUARY.
Macao—Per SUI TAI, 31st Jan., 1.30 p.m.
Philippine Islands—Per YUEN-SANG, 31st Jan., 2 a.m.
Macao—Per CHUNCHOW, 31st Jan., 4.30 p.m.
Shanghai & North China—Per YINGCHOW, 31st Jan., 4.30 p.m.

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30 d/s San Francisco & New York 98 1/4
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4 m/s. Francs 12.30
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T/T Bombay 228
Demand, Bombay —
T/T Calcutta 228
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Macao—Per SUI AN, 1st Jan., 8.30 a.m.
Swatow, Amoy and Formosa via Keelung—Per AMAKUSA MARU, 1st Feb., 9 a.m.
WEDNESDAY, 2ND FEBRUARY.
Japan via Nagasaki, Honolulu, Canada, United States, Central and South America and EUROPE VIA SAN FRANCISCO—Per PERSIA MARU, 2nd Feb., Reg. 5 p.m. 3rd, 1st Feb., 8 a.m.